

## Special Town Meeting

October 6, 2021

Article 14

Amend Zoning Bylaw — Solar Energy Systems



## Why this change?

- Maximize production of on-site renewable energy
- Roof may be unsuitable due to configuration, shading, or construction
- Historic structure limitations
- Retrofitting existing homes to achieve net zero energy







## What is changing?

- 1. Permit solar energy systems on lots with substandard area, frontage, or shape.
- 2. Relax permitting requirements for some ground-mounted solar energy systems.

Size	Location	Current	Proposed
Small (<1500 SF)	Lot interior	Site plan review	Building permit
Small (<1500 SF)	Minimum required yard	Not permitted	Site plan review
Large (>1500 SF)	Lot interior	Site plan review	Site plan review
Large (>1500 SF)	Minimum required yard	Not permitted	Special permit